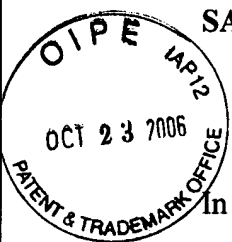


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Art Unit: 2176

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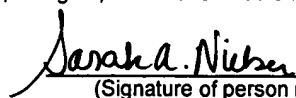
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Dear Sir/Madam:

Applicant hereby responds to the Final Action of July 27, 2006, in the above-referenced patent application. Re-examination, re-consideration and allowance of all of the claims are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks. The amendments are to place the claims in better condition for allowance or appeal. New matter has not been added.

**The Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.